NIH Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSA)
Status Sheet – October 2006

Description:

National Institutes of Health (NIH) Director Elias A. Zerhouni, M.D., announced the launch of a national consortium that will transform how clinical and translational research is conducted, ultimately enabling researchers to provide new treatments more efficiently and quickly to patients. This new consortium, funded through Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSAs), begins with 12 academic health centers (AHCs) located throughout the nation.

Budget:

Total first year funding for the awards will be approximately $100 million. When fully implemented in 2012, the initiative is expected to provide a total of about $500 million annually to 60 academic health centers. An additional 52 AHCs are receiving planning grants, totaling $11.8 million, to help them prepare applications to join the consortium.

CTSA Institutions:

Institution	*Principal Investigator*
Columbia University Health Sciences	Henry N. Ginsberg, M.D.
Duke University	Robert M. Califf, M.D.
Mayo Clinic College of Medicine	Robert A. Rizza, M.D.
Oregon Health & Sciences University	Eric S. Orwoll, M.D.
Rockefeller University	Barry S. Coller, M.D.
University of California, Davis	Lars F. Berglund, M.D., Ph.D.
University of California, San Francisco	Joseph M. McCune, M.D., Ph.D.
University of Pennsylvania	Garret A. Fitzgerald, M.D.
University of Pittsburgh	Steven E. Reis, M.D.
University of Rochester	David S. Guzick, M.D., Ph.D.
University of Texas Health Sciences Center at Houston	Frank C. Arnett, M.D.
Yale University	Robert J. Sherwin, M.D.

Timeline:

Initial CTSA and Planning Grant RFAs:

Council Review Date	September 21, 2006
Award Start Date	September 30, 2006
Award Announcement	October 3, 2006
CTSA Principal Investigator Meeting	October 23,2006

Second CTSA RFA release:

CTSA Pre-submission Videocast	October 5, 2006
Application Receipt Date	January 17, 2007
Peer Review Date	Summer 2007
Council Review Date	September 6, 2007
Anticipated Start Date	September 30, 2007

Trans-NIH Coordination of the CTSA Initiative:
CTSA Project Team
The CTSA program will offer new opportunities for NIH-funded researchers to conduct clinical and translational science at academic institutions across the country. To ensure that the trans-NIH objectives of the CTSA initiative are met, an NIH CTSA Project Team and relevant subcommittees have been organized that include representatives from 18 of the 27 Institutes and Centers and from senior NIH leadership. Dr. Anthony Hayward (NCRR) and Dr. Mike Kurilla (NIAID) co-chair this team.

CTSA Project Team Subcommittees:

CTSA SubCommittee	Description	Chair/Co-Chair	Contact	Status
Project Management	Determine NIH oversight of the CTSA program and ensure coordination across CTSAs and their key functions (informatics, training, etc.)	Anthony Hayward, NCRR Linda Weiss, NCI	HaywardA@mail.nih.gov weissl@mail.nih.gov	Met 3 times; Next meeting on 10/22/06
Resource Access	Create a forum to facilitate access to CTSAs.	Anthony Hayward, NCRR Bruce Pihlstrom, NIDCR	HaywardA@mail.nih.gov Bruce.pihlstrom@nih.gov	Established 6/12; ongoing dialogue
Evaluation	Formulate CTSA program evaluation and Annual Progress Report processes.	Lori Mulligan, NCRR Margaret Ames, NICHD	mulligal@mail.nih.gov amesm@mail.nih.gov	Met 4 times; Next meeting on 10/18/06
Education and Career Development	Oversee development and implementation of education and career development to further discipline of clinical and translational research.	David Wilde, NCRR Carol Shreffler, NIEHS	wilde@mail.nih.gov shreffl1@mail.nih.gov	
Biomedical Informatics	Promote common vocabularies, interoperability across CTSAs.	Elaine Collier, NCRR Milton Corn, NLM	colliere@mail.nih.gov cornm@mail.nlm.nih.gov	
Pediatrics	Ensure transition of pediatric research into CTSA environment.	Gail Pearson, NHLBI	pearsong@nhlbi.nih.gov	
Industrial Partnerships	Study effective commercial partnerships for wider application.			
Clinical Research Ethics	Integrate current T15 activities into CTSA environment.			
Community Engagement	Relate CTSA accomplishments with community practice.			
Translational	Promote use of CTSA resources for translational research.	**Under Development**		
Participant and Clinical Interactions	Project management with promotion of research participant safety, recruitment and retention across the CTS consortium			
Biostatistics/ Epidemiology/ Research Design	Project management with promotion of efficient and innovative study designs across the CTS consortium			
Communications	Manage web and e-newsletter communications			

Additional information:
- CTSA Web site
  http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/clinicaldiscipline.asp
- CTSA Fact Sheet
  http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/clinicaldiscipline/CTSA_FactSheet_2005.pdf

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